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Applicant : PETER FÖRCH ET AL.

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Title : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ALIGNING SHEETS



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

German Patent No. 745271 (Gustav Buzarovits), dated October 19, 1953, pertains to a device for automatic register-true alignment;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application 25 20 232 (Georg Manfred Vossen), dated November 18, 1976, pertains to a device transferring of sheet material to a sheet processing machine;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application 198 22 307 (Andreas Henn et al.), dated January 14, 1999, pertains to a device for the register-true alignment of sheets, (as mentioned on page 1 of the Specification);

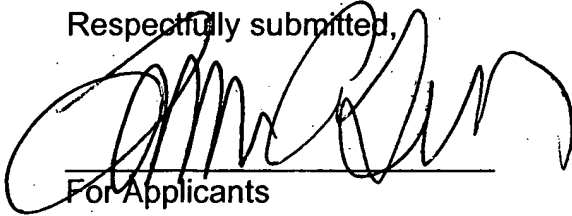
German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application 24 52 051 (Hermann Fischer), dated May 6, 1976, pertains to a device for the register-true sheet alignment in sheet-fed rotary printing machines;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 198 04 120 A 1 (Helmut Emrich et al.), dated August 5, 1999, pertains to a device for the lateral alignment of sheet stream;

If no translation of pertinent portions of any foreign language patents or publications mentioned above is included with the aforementioned copies of those applications, patents and/or publications, it is because no existing translation is readily available to the applicant.

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